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SUBJECT: ISRAEL PLEASED WITH PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT FOR ANTI-BOYCOTT  
LEGISLATION

1. PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT OF MAY 3 IN SUPPORT OF ANTI-BOYCOTT LEGISLATION HAS RECEIVED WIDE AND FAVORABLE COMMENT IN ISRAEL. ACTING PRIME MINISTER PERES TOLD THE PRESS ON MAY 4 THAT "PRESIDENT CARTER'S CONSTRUCTIVE AND IMPORTANT STAND TESTIFIES TO THE FACT THAT HE IS GUIDED BY MORAL VALUES IN U.S. FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC POLICY. HIS ACTIONS TRANSCEND THE LIMITS OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT AND WILL HAVE A CONSTRUCTIVE IMPACT ON INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY AS A WHOLE."

2. THE DIRECTOR OF THE GOI ANIT-BOYCOTT OFFICE, DAN HALPERIN, ALSO PUBLICLY PRAISED THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION. SPEAKING TO JOURNALISTS, HE EXPRESSED "THE GOVERNMENT'S GRATIFICATION" AT PRESIDENT CARTER'S SUPPORT FOR ANTI-BOYCOTT LEGISLATION PENDING IN THE U.S. CONGRESS. HE THOUGHT THAT THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT WOULD SERVE TO SPEED THE PASSAGE OF  
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THE LEGISLATION. HE WAS ESPECIALLY PLEASED THAT THE LEGISLATION HAS THE "BACKING OF AMERICAN BUSINESS." THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT HOPES, HE SAID, THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WILL FOLLOW THE U.S. EXAMPLE AND OUTLAW THE ARABS' INTERFERENCE WITH THE FREE FLOW OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

3. ALL PAPERS ON MAY 4 REPORTED THE PRESIDENT'S STATE-

MENT. THE PRESIDENT WAS PRAISED FOR TAKING A STRONG STAND,  
"DESPITE PRESSURES FROM GIANT CORPORATIONS," AND THUS  
ENSURING PASSAGE FO THE BILL.  
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